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THE CALL OF THE WEST; LETTERS FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA. By C. F. J. Galloway. (New York, Stokes, 1916. Pp. 328. \$3.50.)

There is real merit in the unpretentious travel sketches of Mr. Galloway's "The Call of the West." Without preface or introduction, the author proceeds at once to describe the people and country of Western Canada as he met them during a recent visit. The descriptions are intended for readers in the Old Country and therefore fuller of explanations of ordinary matters than if prepared for a local audience. The author writes with sympathetic appreciation but without exaggeration. The book is fully illustrated.

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LADD & BUSH QUARTERLY. (Salem, Oregon, Ladd & Bush, Bankers, 1917. Pp. 30.)

The word quarterly seems not to be appropriate for this publication at present. This issue is for January, 1917, and is called Volume III., Number 3. It succeeds the issue of January, 1916, and is therefore more of an annual than a quarterly. This is said, not at all in criticism but for the guidance of collectors of historical materials. Each of the issues carries something of historic value. In the present issue there is an article on Oregon based on the writings of Jonathan Carver, Greenhow, Vancouver, Drake and others.

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STEEL POINTS. By William Gladstone Steel. (Medford, Oregon, the author, 1917. Pp. 47. 25 cents.)

This is called Volume II., Number 1, and the author says it is "published occasionally." Four preceding numbers constitute Volume I. The dates and titles of those are: October, 1906, Portland; January, 1907, Crater Lake; April, 1907, Mount Hood; July, 1907, The Olympics.

This present number is dated March, 1917, and is devoted to Oregon Place Names. There are about 500 names noted in alphabetical order. The author invites corrections, additions and suggestions for the improvement of a second edition. He promises to devote this series of his little publication to American nomenclature. The next four numbers are announced as follows: Washington Place Names, Idaho Place Names, Montana Place Names and Biblical Names and Characters.

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THE WATERWAYS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. By Clarence B. Bagley. (New York, The Macmillan Company, 1917. Pp. 298 to 307.)

This pamphlet is a "separate" reprinted from "The Pacific Ocean in History" by H. Morse Stephens and Herbert E. Bolton, the book

being a record of the papers given at the meeting of the American Historical Association held in San Francisco during the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Mr. Bagley's paper, though brief, is packed with facts and figures about the use and improvement of the waterways. He closes with a prophecy made by John C. Calhoun in the Senate on January 24, 1843. The debate was on the "Oregon Bill" and Calhoun pointed out a great future for the commerce of the Pacific. Mr. Bagley's comment is: "The present witnesses the culmination of this remarkable prophecy made by one of America's ablest statesmen more than seventy years ago."

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#### **Other Books Received**

CAMBRIDGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Publications, Number 9. (Cambridge, The Society, 1915. Pp. 92.)

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF NEWBURGH BAY AND THE HIGHLANDS. Publication, Number Seventeen. (Newburgh, The Society, 1916. Pp. 39.)

HUGUENOT SOCIETY OF SOUTH CAROLINA. Transactions, Number 22, 1916. (Charlestown, The Society, 1917. Pp. 95.)

KANSAS STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. Twentieth Biennial Report, 1914-16. (Topeka, State Printer, 1916. Pp. 320.)

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS. Report of the Librarian of Congress and of the Superintendent of the Library Building and Grounds for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 1916. (Washington, Government Printing Office, 1916. Pp. 236.)

MICHIGAN HISTORICAL COMMISSION. Prize essays written by pupils of Michigan Schools in the local history contest. (Lansing, The Commission, 1917. Pp. 35.)

ROBINSON, MORGAN POITIAUX. Virginia Counties: Those resulting from Virginia Legislation. Bulletin of the Virginia State Library, Volume 9, Numbers 1-3. (Richmond, State Library, 1916. Pp. 283.)